







Gillian moved a vote of thanks to Gail Hassall who had decided to step down from the Board. Gail’s contribution has been invaluable, especially in relation to Webinars.

Merle supported this. Gail took on the paid position when we had that need. She continued to arrange the Webinars on a voluntary basis and has arranged nearly all that have been held.

Rosalie endorsed these comments.

Gail said that she had enjoyed her time on the Board and thanked Gillian and Merle for their support.

## **8. GENERAL BUSINESS**

Items of General Business are notified in advance.

Chris Keun had requested that an update be provided on the ‘think-tank’ about the future of Support Groups and any subsequent actions.

It was confirmed that discussions had been held during the year. While there were proposals of activities which would be very welcome, it was agreed that there are not people prepared or able to put them into effect.

Gail said that there is a decline in general. Support Groups are smaller. People register for Webinars but don’t turn up. Whether it is ageing or disability, people don’t seem to be able to participate at the level they used to.

Nermeen said her Group has not been included in correspondence from the Support Group Coordinator. She will contact Ella to sort out these communication issues.

## **9. CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting was closed by the Chairperson at 11:10 am.

*Confirmed as a true record*

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Date